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In re Application of

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Naoteru MATUSBARA,

Application No.: 10/664,875

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Examiner: IM, JUNGHWA M

For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE INCLUDING INTERCONNECTS FORMED BY DAMASCENE PROCESS AND

MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF

Mail Stop Amendment Transmittal Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.

Applicant is entitled to small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27

Also attached:

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE .
Total Claims	22	20	2	\$50.00 =	\$100.00
Independent Claims	3	3	0	\$200.00 =	\$0.00
		Multiple dependent claims newly presented			\$0.00
		Fee for extension of time			\$0.00
					\$0.00
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Please charge my Deposit Account No. <u>500417</u> in the amount of \$100.00. An additional copy of this transmittal sheet is submitted herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 500417, including any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for presentation of extra claims and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

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Sir:

The following Amendment and Remarks are submitted in response to the Office Action dated June 29, 2006, pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, together with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) submitted concurrently herewith.

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